

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY**

**BERKSHIRE GAS COMPANY**

**D.T.E. 05-7**

**ATTORNEY GENERAL'S FIRST SET OF  
DOCUMENT AND INFORMATION REQUESTS**

- AG-1-1      Refer to page 8 of the Company's filing. Please provide copies of all agreements/contracts (original and all amendments) between the Company and the University of Massachusetts ("UMass") and between the Company and any entity that may provide natural gas services to UMASS.
- AG-1-2      Please describe the "rigorous and creative negotiation efforts" that were part of the Company's and UMass's efforts to reach agreement on the Firm Transportation Agreement. Include a time line that highlights milestones.
- AG-1-3      Please provide the "iterative and coordinated analysis of the potential resource strategies to serve the new facility" at UMass. Include a description of the new facility.
- AG-1-4      Please provide a copy of all documents filed with the Department relating to the approval of the Transportation Agreement with the University of Massachusetts--Amherst, including any orders issued by the Department.
- AG-1-5      Please provide all analyses done by the Company, its consultants, or by UMass related to the Transportation Agreement with the University of Massachusetts--Amherst.
- AG-1-6      Please provide analysis that supports the Company's claim that the Transportation Agreement with the University of Massachusetts--Amherst "brings price stability to the Company and its existing customers..."
- AG-1-7      Please provide copies of the material filed with the Energy Facilities Siting Board supporting the Company's petition for approval of the infrastructure improvements and approximately four miles of gas distribution mains that are

related to serving UMass. Include all costs associated with the improvements, mains and how much of the costs are paid for by the Company.

- AG-1-8 Refer to page 9 of the Company's filing. Please describe the DSM programs that the Company is implementing jointly with Massachusetts Electric and Western Massachusetts Electric. Provide copies of all agreements related to these joint efforts.
- AG-1-9 Refer to page 25 of the Company's filing. Please provide an analysis of the impact of reverse migration that supports the Company's statement that "...the Company might not have sufficient capacity or supply in its current portfolio to serve this additional load." What is the Company's plan should there be significant reverse migration?
- AG-1-10 Refer to pages 33-34 of the Company's filing. Please provide all contracts and amendments to contracts, including the AFPA, between the Company and the owners and operators of the Altresco cogeneration facility.
- AG-1-11 Please provide an analysis of the cost of the Altresco supply and the least cost alternative available to the Company based on design winter conditions for the years 2004/05 through 2008/09. Include all supporting documentation, workpapers and assumptions.
- AG-1-12 Please provide the actual monthly cost of the Altresco supply arrangement for the years 1999/00 through 2003/04 and the estimated replacement cost had the Altresco arrangement not been in-place.
- AG-1-13 Refer to pages 52-56 of the Company's filing. Please provide copies of all economic analyses performed of the alternatives to the AFPA.
- AG-1-14 Does the Company intend to issue an RFP for supply resources in the near future? If so, when? Describe the general terms and types of resources the Company plans to target.

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